

# **County of Monterey**

**Board Report** 

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Board of Supervisors Chambers

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Item No.

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c. Approve the Natividad Medical Center's Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to accept non-standard risk provisions within the agreement.

# **<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**:

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# **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

Natividad Medical Center plans to utilize the registry services provided by RTG Medical to staff hard to fill clinical positions in order to meet the hospitals staffing needs to ensure high quality patient care. RTG Medical provides Natividad Medical Center a one-stop search agency for nurses and clinical technicians. RTG Medical has a network of over three dozen independent agencies that provide the needed personnel. NMC will be using the registry services to fill positions in the following areas: Emergency Department, Intensive Care, Intermediate Care, Labor and Delivery, Surgery, Neonatal Intensive Care, Mother Baby, Psychiatric, Rehabilitation, Physical, Speech and Occupational therapy, Radiology, Ultrasound, Interventional Radiology, Clinical Lab and Pharmacy.

Over the past couple of years, the need for additional clinical staff has increased due to the ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic on the availability of qualified applicants. In addition, NMC has seen a larger number of resignations and a smaller applicant pool. As a result, additional nurses and other clinical staff continue to be needed in order to provide high quality care to our community. Natividad would like to partner with RTG Medical to cover the service needs at Natividad.

# **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

The Office of County Counsel has reviewed and approved this agreement as to form, and the Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved as to payment provisions. The agreement has also been reviewed and approved by NMC's Finance Committee and by its Board of Trustees on July 14, 2023.

# **FINANCING:**

The cost for this agreement is \$12,000,000 all of which will be absorbed in Natividad's FY 23-24 Budget.

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

This agreement greatly improves the responsiveness to critical staffing needs at NMC. This agreement ensures that requests for qualified nurses and other clinical staff at NMC are met in a timely manner. This enables NMC to provide high quality patient care thereby improving the health and quality of life for patients and their families.

- **Economic Development**
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Attachments: Original Agreement RTG Medical for staff procurement management Business Association Agreement (BAA)

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board

<u>Charles R. Harris</u> Charles R. Harris, M.D., Chief Executive Officer

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